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SUBJECT: DRAFT ADVANCE PRESS RELEASE FOR SPRING 1975 NPG MINISTERIAL

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MISSION PROVIDES BELOW TEXT OF DRAFT ADVANCE PRESS RELEASE FOR
SPRING 1975 NPG MINISTERIAL MEETING, AND A COVER NOTE BY THE
CHAIRMAN (SHEARER) OF NPG STAFF GROUP. COMMENT: IF WASHINGTON
PERCEIVES PROBLEM IN ADHERING TO JUNE 13 AS RELEASE DATE,
PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING HIGHLY VISIBLE PRE-MEETING ARRANGEMENTS,
MISSION SUGGESTS THAT WE NOTIFY OTHER NPG DELEGATIONS AND SEEK
AGREEMENT ON AN EARLIER DATE TO MAKE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT. END
COMMENT. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON COMMENT/GUIDANCE ON
DRAFT PRESS RELEASE AND DATE FOR ANNOUNCEMENT.

BEGIN TEXT OF COVER NOTE:

ATTACHED IS THE TEXT IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH OF A
PROPOSED ADVANCE PRESS RELEASE CONCERNING THE FORTHCOMING NPG
MINISTERIAL MEETING IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA ON 16TH AND
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17TH JUNE, 1975. THE TEXT CLOSELY FOLLOWS THE LANGUAGE USED
IN FORMER PRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS PRIOR TO NPG MINISTERIAL MEETINGS.
AS ON PAST OCCASIONS THE RELEASE COULD BE MADE A FEW DAYS BEFORE
THE MEETING TAKES PLACE; ACCORDINGLY, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT AN

ANNOUNCEMENT BE MADE IN BRUSSELS ON FRIDAY, 13TH JUNE, 1975 AT 3.00 P.M. LOCAL TIME, WITH SIMULTANEOUS ADDITIONAL RELEASE IN THE CAPITALS OF THOSE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES WHO SO DESIRE.

2. IT IS INTENDED THAT THE STAFF GROUP DISCUSS THE DRAFT TEXT AND SUGGESTED RELEASE TIMING AT ITS MEETING ON 21ST MARCH. STAFF GROUP MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE MONTEREY MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO OBTAIN, AFTER THEIR INITIAL DISCUSSION, THE APPROVAL OF THEIR NATIONAL AUTHORITIES FOR THE TEXT OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT AND TIMING OF THE RELEASE, INFORMING ME NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, 38TH MAY, 1975. INFORMATION ON WHETHER NATIONAL AUTHORITIES PLAN TO MAKE A SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE IN THE CAPITAL WOULD ALSO BE APPRECIATED.
END TEXT.

BEGIN TEXT OF DRAFT PRESS RELEASE:

THE NUCLEAR PLANNING GROUP OF NATO, CURRENTLY CONSISTING OF BELGIUM, DENMARK, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, ITALY, TURKEY, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES, WILL, AT THE INVITATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, HOLD ITS SEVENTEENTH MINISTERIAL MEETING IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, ON 16TH AND 17TH JUNE, 1975, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR. JOSEPH M.A.H. LUNS, SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO.

END TEXT.
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